

**September 2021**

Dear Parent,

The HSE school vaccination team plan to offer your child who is commencing first year in secondary school the following vaccines. The vaccines that will be offered to your child include:

- **HPV** (Human Papillomavirus) vaccine which protects against HPV related cancers ,2 doses
- **Tdap** vaccine which protects against Tetanus, Diphtheria and whooping cough (Pertussis)
- **MenACWY** (Meningitis) vaccine which protects against meningococcal A,C,W and Y

There will be two appointments during the school year at a clinic or school setting

- **First appointment** should take place from September/October onwards to give HPV (dose one) and Tdap vaccines
- **Second appointment** should take place from March/April onwards to give HPV (dose two) and MenACWY vaccines

Please find enclosed

- An information leaflet about the vaccines and the diseases they prevent
- Vaccination consent form

**Please read the enclosed information carefully and complete the consent form whether or not you wish your child to be vaccinated.**

Please let us know if your child has a history of fainting.

**Return the completed consent form in the envelope provided to your child's school within 7 days.**

In light of the Covid 19 pandemic, it is particularly important this year to keep children as healthy as possible. Ensuring your child is fully vaccinated will help to achieve this.

The School Immunisation team are happy to help if you have any queries and can be contacted on 021-4225650/ or at 021-4225679.

Further information is available on [www.immunisation.ie](http://www.immunisation.ie)

Yours Sincerely,

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